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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

We have interviewed Mr. FRANCIS on
the subject of the acquisition of the
Slaughter Houses by the Sanitary Board.
Mr. LADD is quite correct in stating
that Mr. FRANCIS did at one time very fully
approve of the Slaughter Houses being
taken over and managed by the Sanitary
Board instead of being let out to contrac-
tors and Mr. FRANCIS claims that he was
at the time fully entitled to express an
opinion, being then a member of the
Sanitary Board and having, with other
members of the Board, made a close study
of that and of several kindred questions.
Mr. ENX was, at that time, of the same
opinion also.

When we asked the learned Q.C.
whether he was of the same opinion still he
came out with a most emphatic "no." In
the first place because the idea then was to
substitute the Sanitary Board officers for
the contractor, not merely for the purpose
of ensuring greater cleanliness and order
in the supply of meat, but also and mainly,
to reduce the cost of meat to the public
by doing the slaughtering for actual cost
price and so doing away with the con-
tractor's very handsome profits. The idea
now is to bag those profits for the benefit
of the Treasury and so to increase the
Colonial revenue and thereby add a few
dollars more to the amount of the military
contribution. If the acquisition by the
Treasury of this additional income from the
profits of the Slaughter House would in
any way benefit the public by contrib-
uting to a reduction of taxation in
any other direction, there might be
something in it, but a Crown Colony
Government never reduces taxation. It
is opposed to its principles to do so.

In the second place when the question
of taking over the Slaughter Houses was
first mooted and approved of, the Sanitary
Board was a popular institution with six
unofficial to four official members. It
was administered with a view to the public
benefit. Now it is a purely Government
Department like any other of the public
departments, and everything will therefore
be managed solely in the interests of the
Government, to please the Governor and
Colonial Secretary and to gain credit
with the Colonial office, the interests
of the public being wholly disregarded.
For these reasons Mr. FRANCIS no longer
approves of the transfer of the Slaughter
Houses to the Sanitary Board. If its offi-
cers do their duty and look, strictly and
with a single eye, after the contractor, and
compel the complete observance by him
of the terms of his contract and of the
Rules, the slaughtering of cattle, sheep
and pigs can be carried out just as satis-
factorily by the contractor as it will be by
Chinese butchers in the direct pay of the
Board. Chinese will have to do the work
either way. So nothing will be gained
by the change in that direction. If the
Sanitary Board is to charge as much for
the work it does as the contractor now
charges and make as large profits, there
is no gain in that direction either.

The Sanitary Board had better go slow
and make no changes. Sir HENRY BLAKE
is bringing a new constitution in his pocket
for it.

The China Mail has been hammering
at the Government for a long time to re-
introduce the Servants Registration Or-
dinance and seems to be of opinion that
such an ordinance, properly worked,
would ensure us against many of the evils
from which we now suffer in connection
with our domestics. A Registration Or-
dinance carefully framed and efficiently
worked would, undoubtedly, go a long
way towards helping us to better servants
and enabling us to keep them in better
order, but the provisions of the new laws
would have to differ very widely from the
provisions of the old ordinance and to be
enforced with much greater intelligence
and much more stringently than before.

Under the provisions of the previous law
any Chinaman could go and apply for and
obtain, on payment of a small fee, the
registration of his name as a servant and
in any capacity. There was no inquiry as
to his antecedents and no guarantee or
security that his statements about himself
were correct. No description of his per-
son was recorded, nor no photograph of
him taken. Masters were forbidden to
take servants into their employ without the
production of a ticket. They were to keep
the ticket in their possession while the
owner was in their service. They must
return it to him on his departure. They
were forbidden to make any entry on it as
to the servant's character. If they had
any complaints, they must communicate
them to the Registry Office, and the office
would endorse the ticket with such remarks

as the Registrar General in the exercise of
his discretion thought fit.

If when a servant presented himself with
a ticket and asked for employment the
master had any doubts about the identity
of the applicant with the person named in
the ticket and sent to the Registry to
inquire, the answer was "we cannot tell;
we have no means of identifying the
men; it may be the man, it may not be."
So tickets were transferred from hand to
hand. Hence a ticket unfavourably
endorsed was torn up and thrown away
and the owner, after a short interval,
applied for a fresh ticket under a new
name, and got it. If a robbery took place
and a servant fled, it was useless to report
to the Registry. The people there did
not know him, could not identify him,
had no person liable for the man's pro-
duction; could not even tell from what
part of the country he came so that he
might be sought for.

If servants are to be registered again,
not merely for the purpose of raising a
revenue out of them, but for the benefit
of their long suffering masters and mis-
tresses, every man seeking registration
must be identified and identifiable. All
his names must be registered, his vil-
lage and his district. He must be secured
by some responsible person in the
Colony who is bound to identify and
produce him when required. Police
constables and district watchmen are
thus secured. The man's photograph
must be taken and his physical peculiarities
registered, and there must be some
reasonable certainty that the man in pos-
session of a ticket is the man to whom it
was issued, and that there was some pre-
liminary investigation into his character
and qualifications before he got that ticket.

If the China Mail can think out some
scheme of servants registration that will
cover these requirements without being too
onerous to the public and to our China
boys, we are prepared to back the China
Mail up to any extent, but, the re-enact-
ment of the former ordinance would be
utterly useless, and only make the present
position more unsatisfactory than it is.

REUTERS' MESSAGES.

THE RECENT ENGAGEMENT AT
SANTIAGO DE CUBA.

LONDON, June 2nd.

It is explained in New York that Admiral
Schley's sole purpose in bombarding San-
tiago was to prevent the erection of fortifications
at the entrance of the harbour and that he sheered
off when the new defences were destroyed.
There was no question of a reprisal.

THE REBELLION IN CUBA.

Latest reports from Cuba state that 3,000
insurgents are attacking Santiago from the land
side and a bloody battle is proceeding.

RUSSIA AT PORT ARTHUR.

Russia intends deepening and enlarging the
harbour at Port Arthur.

ITALY.

Margherita Rudini has formed a colourless
Ministry.

THE PLAGUE.

During the 24 hours up to noon, 4th June,
7 new cases and 8 deaths from plague were
reported, making the total since 1st January
(154 days) 1,251 cases and 1,101 deaths.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The market price of raw silk in Yokohama
shows a tendency to advance.

H.M.S. "Pique" left the harbour at 6 a.m. to-day,
homeward bound, via Singapore.

New York advices state that the war has not
affected quotations for tea and coffee.

For having weights not up to the standard a
Chinese dealer was to-day fined \$50 in default
of six weeks.

It is expected that the report of the Indian
Famine Commission will be ready in about a
couple of months.

A HAIR in the butter—"Walter, look here!
Isn't this a hair in the butter?" Yes, sir, a cow's
hair, sir. We always serve one with the butter
to show it isn't margarine, sir."

PRINCE Iwakura, Senior Imperial Chamberlain,
has been ordered by the Emperor to attend both
Houses of the Imperial Diet daily, that particulars
may be reported to His Majesty every day.

SIR ISAAC NEWTON calculated that the chances
that a pair of spectacles, if laid on a table or a
shelf, would be found in the same place ten
minutes later, were less than two in a hundred.

MR. M. HOOPER is now fulfilling the duties of
Interpreter at the Magistracy and Mr. M. B.
Soffiad is acting as clerk to the Registrar
and Hindoostanee Interpreter at the Supreme
Court.

It is estimated that this year's crop of tea in
Uji, Yamashiro, will be about fifteen per cent.
less than the average of preceding years, owing
to the frost of the 22nd ult. The plants are
unusually free from grubs, however.

THE Municipality of Karachi has resolved to
borrow two lakhs from the Government under
the Local Authorities Emergency Loan Act to
meet the plague expenditure. An application is
to be made for a lakh and a half at once, and
the balance when required.

On the average four out of every seven persons
seized with plague at Karachi die with the
disease.

In consequence of the great frost having injured
the mulberry-trees in Nagano Ken so much,
quantities of newly hatched silk worms have
been thrown away in different parts of the pre-
fecture. The crop this year will show a decrease
of from 20 to 30 per cent. as compared with the
average.

H.E. TSENG Cui, the newly appointed Tatar-
General for the province arrived at Foochow by
the Hsuehsin on the 21st ultimo and took over
the seals of office next day. The retiring
Tatar-General, H.E. YU Lu, left on 21st ult.
in the Hsin Yu for the north to take up his
appointment as Viceroy of Szechuan.

THE Secretary of the Panjom Mining Company,
Limited, advises us that he has received the
following telegram from the Mines giving the
result of the May "clean up":—"Translation—
"The Mill ran 29 days, crushing 2,550 tons of
Headings yielding 262 ozs. of smelted gold.
Twenty tons of Concentrates were ground in
Berdan Pass yielding 15 ozs. of smelted gold."

WOUND pensions of English pay of rank have
been sanctioned for four months, to Lieutenant
E. G. Griffin, Yorkshire Regiment, wounded at
Mardan on 1st November last; for one year to
Lieutenant Owen, Oxfordshire Light Infantry
wounded in the Khyber Pass on 30th December
last; and for six months to Lieutenant Williams,
Yorkshire Regiment, wounded in the fight on
the Loska Pass in November last.

THE "typhoon" weather, as some folks have
ventured to dub it, broke last night in a
thunderstorm, or rather a series of them, for
there appeared to be at least three separate
storms all at work at as many points of
the compass. Luckily none of them seem
to have come directly over the Colony and
but a slight tempest particularly heavy claps of
thunder nobody is a prony the worse.

EARLY last month, says the Foochow Daily
Echo, notice was given by the authorities that
a tax of 10 per cent on the receipts of shops in the
city and suburbs, would be levied to meet the
expenses of the late war. This gave rise to
general dissatisfaction and for a time there was
a feeling of great uneasiness in the city, but we
are glad to know now that the tax has been
agreed to and that peace and contentment again
reigns.

AN interesting item of news from India, says an
exchange, is that the cemetery at Benares is
being enlarged by three acres and enclosed with
a solid brick wall. The cost of the whole job is
said to be about Rs. 12,000. The Government
has presumably adopted this course in preference
to spending the money on improving the sanitary
condition of the bazaar. It is cheaper, prob-
ably, to provide the troops with more burying
ground than to prevent them dying.

THE Queen of Spain is prepared to fly from
Spain, says an exchange. It was she, and not
the Spanish Government, who bought the
famous English steam yacht *Giralda*. The
vessel is kept patrolling off the coast of Spain to
prevent her being seized and to be ready to call
at any port on signal to take away the royal
family—the young King, his mother, the Regent,
and his two sisters. They undoubtedly would
take refuge in Austria, as the Queen, a kins-
woman of Francis Joseph, is an archduchess of
Austria. The *Giralda* was the property of Mr.
H. M. Calmont, an English millionaire who
was pressed by the Japanese, in the late war, to
name his own price for her.

MESSRS. Wheelock & Co. Coal and Kerosene
Oil Market Report dated Shanghai, 30th May,
1898, say:—"Coal.—Japan.—The market still
remains dull in the extreme and few, if any,
transactions of consequence have taken place.
To make a quotation, we mention a sale of
about 400 tons Onoda at Tls. 7.75 per ton,
but had it not been for immediate consumption
this rate could not have been paid. In anticipa-
tion of a decline in freight rates we should see
lower prices when a large business might
possibly be done. Cardiff.—Has been in slight
demand at earlier rates than quoted, but as there
have been no sales, we do not alter our
quotations, and there is no reason for doing so,
as the home papers confirm a serious strike
at the Mines and coming at the time
of war and rumours of war, present holders
consider that a further advance is a certainty.
Sydney Wollongong.—There being no stock
until the arrival of the *W. A. Arlis* on the 25th
inst., with 1,100 tons, there has been nothing
done for some time; the last few days though
sales have been made as high as Tls. 16.50 per
ton. It is reported that two sellers, the *Cebu*
Empire and *Armada* have been chartered
to load for this, each bringing about 3,000 tons,
the former loads the cargo which was reported
some little time ago as being sold at 35/6
per ton, the latter is still unsold. The
market closes with a slightly weak tendency.
Kerosene oil.—There have been very few sales
locally, and first holders have preferred to export
their stocks to Europe. There has been an
unaccountable drop in prices, owing, no doubt,
to the tightness of the money market. Devos's
having changed hands at Tls. 1.25 per case
with few buyers even at this rate. The *Geo. S.*
Homer has been given up as lost, as Insurance
Companies are settling claims. The following
vessels have arrived during the fortnight:—
Emily P. Whitney, on the 15th, with 50,000
cases, the *Australia*, 19th, with 85,000 cases,
and the *H. Leo*, on the 27th inst., with 70,000
cases. Stock, including all arrivals, 470,000
cases. Batum.—Has been very quiet, *Volna*
arrived yesterday with about 120,000 cases.
A small business has been done at Tls. 1.75/8
per case. Stocks, 200,000 cases. Langkat.—
Small business, buoyancy at Tls. 1.3/4. Stocks
77,000 cases.

For obstructing the pathway at the Market
Inspector Watson to-day charged an offender
who was fined \$24, or two months.

A CHINESE contractor, by name Wong Foo-
ping, living at No. 9 Ship Street was to-day pro-
secuted by Sergeant McNab for making a tomb
on the hillside at Little Hongkong without the
necessary permit from the Director of Public
Works. He had been to the Registrar General
and had received permission to go to the place
and repair his ancestors' tomb. The sergeant
ascertained that there was no tomb at the place
at all and he had taken advantage of the permit
to make a new tomb. It appears that defendant
was about to bring over some bones from Chi-
nese territory. He had no defence and was
fined \$30 or six weeks' hard labour.

In the present warm season a nice little marine
excursion, with bathing "thrown in," is a very
pleasant way of filling in an off-day. We note
that Messrs. W. Farmer and A. Harper have
organised an excursion for to-morrow in the
specially chartered steamer *Tai-on*. The vessel
leaves the Market Wharf at 10 a.m. and will
proceed via Green Island and Lam Island
round Lam-tan Island and return home via
Cap-and-mun. At Castle Peak Bay, where there
is a fine beach for bathing purposes, a stoppage
will be made for those desirous of a dip in the
briny and the return voyage will be completed
between 7 and 8 p.m. Refreshments will be
supplied on board. Should the promoters receive
sufficient encouragement these trips will be a
regular weekly function.

EVEN the usual peaceful Chinaman, says the
N. Y. Journal, has become a patriot, and is
ready to do or die for the country of his adoption.
Chinamen have never shown more enthusiasm,
even when Li Hong Chang was a guest in New
York, than they did last night when it was
announced in Chinatown that a regiment would
be raised composed solely of Chinamen, all of
whom would go to Cuba or any other place to
do battle with the Spanish. Meetings were
held in several places in Chinatown. Speeches
were made and there was applause such as is
not expected from the Chinaman. To-day the
enlisting of the Chinamen will begin, and every
Mongolian who wants to swear allegiance to
this country and shoulder a rifle in do battle
with Spain will be taken in.

MIGHT we beg to suggest in the politest man-
ner possible, as one of Marryat's heroes would
have said, that the Water Authority would
greatly oblige Kowloon Residents if he would so
far condescend as to inform them as to the hour
and date when he finds it imperative to cut off
the water supply. During the last day or so the
water has been cut off in certain districts of
Kowloon without any notice having been given
to the residents, and great inconvenience has re-
sulted therefrom. Water used in excess of the
stipulated allowance has to be paid for, and
therefore when the authorities intend to cut off
the supply the least that they could do would be
to give the residents adequate warning; such
want of consideration was only to be expected
during the reign of the departed Cooper & Co.,
but Kowlooners hoped for better times under
the new regime.

MESSRS. Wheelock & Co. in their *Freight
Market Report* dated Shanghai, 30th May,
1898, say:—"Since writing on the 16th inst., rates
for New York have still further increased, and
an additional 5/6 has been imposed on General
Cargo with 2/6 extra for Tea, making 37/6 and
40/- respectively. It only remains to be seen
whether the incoming steamers will be able to
secure sufficient cargo to enable them to obtain
these rates. For London the new rates are now
in force, as per list below, though there seems
to be but a small business passing in this
direction. Coastwise.—Rates all-round seem
considerably easier, and the demand for ton-
nage has slackened for Newchwang, owing
principally to the high prices ruling for
produce; consequently Japan Coal rates have
fallen, steamers being only too glad to fill in any
space time by taking up Coal charters. The
export of Rice from River Ports being now pro-
hibited, vessels trading in this direction are also
short of employment. For London via Suez.—
There has been apparently a little more freight
offering than recently and departing steamers
have fared better, owing mainly to the anxiety
of shippers to dispatch their exports before the
rise in rates, which came into effect on the 21st
instant, but at the close there is only a small
demand for tonnage. The next to load will be—
Glenglo to sail 31st proximo, *Malacca* to
sail 3rd proximo, *Pyrrhus* to sail 8th proximo.
The *Glenglo* proceeds to Foochow to complete
her loading. For New York via Suez.—The
Queen Margaret arrived on the 27th instant to
take up this berth, and expects to leave about
2nd June. She has engaged some 2,200 tons at
33/6 being the last to load at this rate, that for
the next steamer, the *Afridi*, being quoted at
37/6 for General Cargo and 40/- for Tea. The
outgoing steamer's cargo includes some 3,400
tons Tea from Hankow, the first shipment of the
season for New York via Suez. For New York
via Cape.—The British ship *Emily P. Whitney*
has been chartered to load here and at Hong-
kong for this direction. There seems to be a
fair amount of cargo offering locally, but her
cargo will for the most part be supplied by
Hongkong. She is calculated to load at 20/-
per 400 feet and to receive quick despatch,
leaving here probably towards the end of June.
The Hawaiian ship *Rocking Sway* is also
advertised to load, but as she has not
yet arrived here, we cannot give any particu-
lars as to her rate or date of departure. For
New York via Pacific Lines.—The follow-
ing are the next sailings: *Coptic* leaving Woo-
lung 1st June. *Rio de Janeiro* leaving Woo-
lung 11th June. *Empress of China* leaving
Woolung 12th June. *Artemis* leaving 15th
June. Departures. For London via Suez.—
Camden s.s., 22nd inst., *Sardinia* s.s., via Amoy,
24th inst. *Ulysses* s.s., 28th inst. For New York
via Cape. *Borgia* s.s., 22nd inst.

For obstructing Inspector Duncan while on
weights and measures search two Chinese were
to-day fined \$10 and \$15 respectively.

AN IRISH ADVERTISEMENT—"If the gentleman
who keeps a boot shop with a red head will
return the umbrella he borrowed of a young
lady with an ivory handle, he will hear of some-
thing to her advantage."

THE Nippon Yusen Kaisha has declined to take
any more steamers off their regular lines, in
order to send extra vessels to Bombay to suit
the convenience of the Splinters' Union. The
Union has been trying to induce the Company
to do so. This we gather from a Japanese
journal, which adds that the Union has been
trying to compel the Company to recognize that
its contract necessitates the despatch of extra
vessels, but the Company refuses to entertain
the idea unless the freight is increased.

THE Agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway has
forwarded to us a pamphlet on Klondyke and
Yukon Gold Fields, together with plans of the
steamers *Tartar* and *Albatross* which this com-
pany are now running from Vancouver to Skag-
way, from which latter place two routes are
available to reach the recently discovered gold
fields. The C.P.R. steamers need no praise from
us, they are too well known in the Far East, and
the two ships which have been placed upon the
new run are fully up to the Company's high-
class standard. The pamphlet contains much
useful information for those who are about to
seek their fortunes in the frozen north, and also
does not omit a word of kindly warning as the
following extract shows:—

"To the miner and prospector who has dodged
snow-slides in the North-western States, the
Klondyke will have no great terrors, with
the exception that the winter is colder and
longer; but to the inexperienced who know
nothing of roughing it, the Yukon offers many
hardships, and those who have not grit and en-
durance should keep out of it."

MR. ERICH GEORGE in his *Weekly Share List*,
of to-day's date says:—"The volume of business
transacted during the week under review has
been but small, but the tendency for many lead-
ing stocks is decidedly firmer, and were it not
for the inability of operators to get financial as-
surance, an all round improvement would have
been the result, while at present such has only
been possible in a few instances and to a very
limited extent only. The May settlements
passed off very quietly. Bank Shares.—Hong-
kong and Shanghai have been taken off the
market at 190 to 192 per cent. prem. for cash,
but only in small lots, and a few more shares can
be placed at the higher rate. The London
quotation is £15 10s. 0d. Other stocks under
this heading are unchanged. Marine Insurance
Shares have not been dealt in at all and remain
quiet at last quoted rates. Fire Insurance
Shares. With the exception of a small sale of
China Fires at \$98, at which rate a few more
shares could be placed, nothing has been done.
Shipping Shares.—Hongkong, Canton, and
Macao sold over the settlements for 31st May
at \$12 1/2 to \$13, and the stock close fairly steady
at latter rates a small lot fetched \$16 1/2 for 30th
June. Indo-China have been negotiated
at \$60 to \$61 for 31st June and later on
at same rates for cash, the market closing
stronger with further buyers and no apparent
sellers under \$62. China and Manila remain
neglected at last rate, while Douglas have
been negotiated at \$38, at which figure a small
lot is on the market. China Mutuals unchanged
and so are Star Ferry. Refiners.—China
Sugars have improved a little, selling at \$18 to
\$19 for cash and end of the month, and more
shares might be placed. Luxons continue neg-
lected at \$42. Mining Shares.—Punions have
advanced, having changed hands at \$32 to \$34
for ordinaries and \$1.60 to \$1.80 for preference
shares, and these are buyers at the higher
rates. A private meeting of shareholders has
been convened for Monday the 6th instant.
Charbonnages are unchanged and without
inquiry. New Baltimore changed hands at 70
cents for ordinaries and 80 cents for preference
shares and continue on offer. Jelebus have

H.M.S. *Daphne* is still at Pagoda anchorage. The French cruiser *Jean Bart* is also there.

THE COACHMAN.—"I'm going to leave, sir; I can't stand the missus." "Is she too strict, then?" "Yes, she keeps forgetting me as I can leave at any time, and worries me about it as though I was you."

PROGRESS seems to be the order of the day in Hongkong, says *Indian Engineering*. Altogether there is an air of steady progress which augurs well for the future development of the Colony—a progress all the more satisfactory to those who look forward to benefit personally from the growing importance of this already important Colony.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

The first general meeting of the above company was held at 11.30 a.m., to-day at the offices, No. 9 Praya Central.

Mr. Shewan presided and there were also present Messrs. J. S. Van Buren, J. H. Lewis, Bhaba and C. A. Jones (directors), G. Murray Murray, B. H. Wicking, Playfair, Fung W. Chuen, C. E. Ewens, A. H. Hewitt, F. M. Gutierrez and J. H. V. Jorgy.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, this meeting has been called in accordance with the Companies Ordinance which requires that every company registered under those ordinances shall call a meeting within four months from its date of registration. This company was registered on 19th February last and for the little time it has been at work has been able to make good progress and so far answered all the anticipations of its promoters. Our main object is to encourage provident habits among people of moderate means, by enabling them with our assistance to become owners of the houses they live in. I need not go into the system here as the pamphlets and tables we are compiling will explain this in detail. It is enough to say that it has been most successful at home. The companies engaged in such business at home have paid good dividends besides having succeeded in giving many persons the satisfaction of living in their own houses for little more expenditure than if they had rented the house in a usual way. I do not pretend that the sole object of this company is philanthropic; our aim is to make money for our shareholders like any other business undertaking, but I do claim that this company should prove a boon to people whose means do not permit them to provide the necessary cash all at once for buying a house, but who at the same time are paying their landlord a rent much beyond the true value of the house they occupy and which rent, if utilized in the way we advocate, would enable them to own the house itself. Take the case of one of our rates, he was paying £10 per month for the house he lived in, he now pays only £6.42 per month but with this difference that he now owns his house, while formerly he might have paid his rent to all eternity and still have had nothing to show for it. As you all know rents have risen and are still rapidly rising, this colony and for a company like ours, carefully conducted, there is, we feel convinced a great future. Our capital is of course far too small for all the business we hope to do, but we preferred to begin in a small way and build up our capital and reputation as we go along. It takes time for a company to get in all its capital and to commence active operations but I am pleased to say that we have been fortunate in both respects; our capital was quickly subscribed, but calls are now all paid up and the bulk has already been lent out in various ways. The progress of utilizing the money in loans to bona fide borrowers in real estate is of necessity a slow and painstaking process, but we have taken advantage of the present tightness of the money market to make short loans on good security at rates of interest ranging from 6 to 10 per cent. We shall of course always give the preference to our provident loans on house property to be repaid by instalments which will always make us a sure return. But there is a good trust and loan business if I may so term it to be done as well if we had more capital. At present we have placed about \$105,000 in provident loans on the installment plan, and have about \$15,000 more promised, about \$25,000 on mortgage and about \$35,000 in short loans on good security and advances. Finally we have invested all our capital and means now look around for some means of raising more funds. Our credit is good as our creditors will always have our reserve liability of \$10 per share to fall back on so if we decide to issue debentures in lieu of increasing our capital there should be no difficulty in obtaining what we want. I need hardly point out that by lending debentures at 5 per cent, and lending the money again at 8 or 10 per cent, there would be a good profit for the company provided the money could be promptly reloaned as of course loss of time means loss of interest. So far we have not lost very much time and we shall endeavour to avoid doing so by borrowing only enough to meet our wants and by promptly investing the money so borrowed. It is only by borrowing and lending in this manner that we can make large profits for the company and of course when our business has increased and the demand can no longer be met by borrowing we must have recourse to a further issue of capital. The other night there was a letter in the *Chinese Mail* signed "Hard Pushed," on the subject of cheap houses for Europeans and it is just persons in the position of the writer of that letter that this company sympathizes with and is anxious to assist. We are not a building company and have no desire or intention to compete with the Land Companies in this Colony but if such persons as "Hard Pushed" could arrange with those companies to build cheap residences which would be very glad to help them in providing the purchase money. You must not forget however that if you have any 10 or 20 funds for investment we are equally willing to receive it on deposit or in exchange for debentures and notwithstanding the celebrated advice of Polonius we are prepared to "either a lender or borrower be, all I may say to you just now, Gentlemen, the company has started well under favourable auspices and I feel sure in time, as its object and aims become better known and its business increases, it will prove a benefit to the colony in general and in particular will offer special advantages to that section of the community whose incomes are restricted, who to face of a steadily falling exchange have had to accept the inevitable and make up their minds to reside permanently in the Colony and on whom a constant rise in rents presses most heavily.

The Chairman in conclusion said he desired on behalf of his colleagues and himself to express very deep regret at the sudden death of Mr. Woy How Chuen, who had always taken a very great interest in the society.

No questions were asked by those present and the Chairman after thanking the members for their attendance declared the meeting closed.

THE GYMKHANA.

The following is the prospectus of the third Gymkhana Meeting, 1898 Season, to be held on the 18th inst.:

1.—4.00 p.m. HALF MILE RACE.—For China ponies. Weight as per scale. Winners of any flat race, once 5 lbs; twice, 10 lbs; three times or oftener, 14 lbs extra. Entrance, \$3. 1st Prize, \$50; 2nd, \$20; 3rd, \$10.

CHARTER RACE.—For Asiatic Soldiers. To start at the Winning Post with a chain full of water on the head and run round a post 50 yards off and in. First in with the most water in the chain to win. Up to five to decide how far the loss of water is to disqualify a winner. Chain will be provided. Post entries free. 1st Prize, \$5; 2nd, \$3; 3rd, \$2. This race will be run on the inside course during the interval between Half Mile and Steeplechase.

2.—4.30 p.m. STEEPLCHASE.—Over the Steeplechase Course; Weight as per scale with 10 lbs added. Winners of jump races at this year's Gymkhana; once 5 lbs; twice or oftener, 10 lbs extra. Entrance, \$3. 1st Prize, \$50; 2nd, \$20; 3rd, \$10.

RICKSHAW RACE.—For British Soldiers and Soldiers. The Rickshaw to be drawn by a competitor and to ply for fare between the Winning Post and a post 100 yards up the inside course. The fare to be half rickshaw and jump in. Fares to be in costume. The Rickshaws will then line up at the 100 yards post and race in. First in with best costume to win. A certain number of points will be given for costume. Competitors to supply their own Rickshaws. Post entries free. 1st Prize, \$10; 2nd, \$5; 3rd, \$3. This Race will be run immediately after the Steeplechase.

3.—5.00 p.m. POLO PONY SCAURRY, 4 FURLONGS.—For *Bond fide* China Polo Ponies, catchweights over 11st 7 lbs. Previous winners of Polo Pony events at this season's Gymkhana excluded. Entrance, \$1. 1st Prize, \$40; 2nd, \$20; 3rd, \$10.

4.—5.10 p.m. LADIES' NOMINATION EVENT.—The nominees will start at the Winning Post dismounted, and on the word "Go" will mount and ride to a Post 100 yards off, pick up a plate (supplied by Gymkhana) ride back to nominator who will place 5 oranges in the plate (oranges supplied). Nominees will then ride round the Post 100 yards off, keeping it on the left, and in. First in with the most oranges in the plate to win. No oranges to be thrown or lost. The oranges to be allowed for by the judges. The oranges must be intact as provided. Entrance, \$1. 1st Prize, presented by Commodore Holland, R.N.

5.—5.45 p.m. MILE AND QUARTER HANDICAP.—For all China ponies. Entrance, \$3. If left after 2 p.m. on Wednesday, 17th June, 1898, \$3 extra. 1st Prize, presented by H. N. Mody, Esq.; 2nd, \$25; 3rd, \$10.

6.—6.15 p.m. TENT PEGGING.—Three runs will be allowed. 3 points for a carry, 2 for a draw 1 for a touch. 9 points will be given for pure. Entrance, \$1. 1st Prize, presented by H.E. Major-General Wilson Black, C.B.; 2nd, \$10; 3rd, \$5.

The hurdle will be up on the inside course on Tuesday, 7th, and Thursday, 9th instant, and application has been made to open the Steeplechase course on Tuesday, 14th, and Thursday, 16th instant; Tent pegging can be practised on the above days also.

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

H.M.S. *Daphne* At Pagoda, 27th May, 1898.

It was in glorious weather that H.M. Ship *Daphne* held their Annual Athletic Sports yesterday 26th May at the Pagoda ground. The ground was dressed with flags and tents which according to the visitors' version was quite a success and did great credit indeed to the Committee for the way in which they worked. During the events Messrs. Bell, Tontey and Price were acting as referees and men in cash which caused a great amount of sport and laughter especially from the children who got so near to the man in the cash that they could hit him. After the sports were over Mrs. Gall-way kindly distributed the prizes. The results of the events are as follows:

2.00 p.m. 100 yards flat—
1st, T. H. Tontey, H. Jackson.
2nd, A. Sturgeon, S. Vicary.
3rd, G. Moore, F. Davies.

2.15 p.m. Long jump—
1st, T. H. Tontey, 1st prize, \$2.
2nd, S. Vicary, 2nd prize, \$1.
3rd, A. Sturgeon, 3rd prize, \$1.

2.45 p.m. 1 mile flat—
1st, A. Sturgeon, 1st prize, \$5.
2nd, H. Davies, 2nd prize, \$3.
3rd, G. Moore, 3rd prize, \$1.

2.55 p.m. Throwing Cricket Ball—
1st, H. Tontey, 1st prize, \$2.
2nd, S. Vicary, 2nd prize, \$1.
3rd, A. Sturgeon, 3rd prize, \$1.

3.15 p.m. 210 yards flat—
1st, T. H. Tontey, 1st prize, \$2.
2nd, S. Vicary, 2nd prize, \$1.
3rd, A. Sturgeon, 3rd prize, \$1.

3.40 p.m. 1 mile flat—
1st, A. Sturgeon, 1st prize, \$5.
2nd, H. Davies, 2nd prize, \$3.
3rd, G. Moore, 3rd prize, \$1.

3.40 p.m. Mile Walking—
1st, T. H. Tontey, 1st prize, \$2.
2nd, S. Vicary, 2nd prize, \$1.
3rd, A. Sturgeon, 3rd prize, \$1.

3.40 p.m. Mile Walking—
1st, T. H. Tontey, 1st prize, \$2.
2nd, S. Vicary, 2nd prize, \$1.
3rd, A. Sturgeon, 3rd prize, \$1.

3.40 p.m. Mile Walking—
1st, T. H. Tontey, 1st prize, \$2.
2nd, S. Vicary, 2nd prize, \$1.
3rd, A. Sturgeon, 3rd prize, \$1.

3.40 p.m. Mile Walking—
1st, T. H. Tontey, 1st prize, \$2.
2nd, S. Vicary, 2nd prize, \$1.
3rd, A. Sturgeon, 3rd prize, \$1.

3.40 p.m. Mile Walking—
1st, T. H. Tontey, 1st prize, \$2.
2nd, S. Vicary, 2nd prize, \$1.
3rd, A. Sturgeon, 3rd prize, \$1.

Sturgeon was the favourite right through and he won.

The arrangements were admirably carried out by

Judge, H. Taylor, E.R.A.

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It was very interesting to see all our Pagoda friends support us so well by their presence, and for what proved one of the best events of the day viz, the 1 mile race, the handsome prize was generously subscribed for by them.

We were very sorry that our friends at Fookchow were not able to come owing to the distance and the idea, as we owe them so much for all the sport, cricket, etc., which has made the *Daphne's* stay at Pagoda a really pleasant time.

Our thanks are also due to the patronage of the Captain and Officers of the French men of war.

TSINGIANGPU.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

May 23rd.

HARVEST PROSPECTS.

We are looking and longing for fair weather, having now had about 10 days' rain, off and on; it is a critical time with the wheat. Thus far it has looked promising and hopes were raised high for a good crop this year, and all the more so as the short crop last year has surrounded us with hundreds of starving people.

But the Chinese who go by dates and prophecies so much, make a long face and say "we fear a bad crop because it rained on the 1st of the 4th month," which experience has taught them is going to be followed by more rain. This year, alas! proves their prophecy and gives them ground for their worst fears being realized.

Sunshine for eight or ten days would see the wheat crop ripe and harvest; but what the future will be we await with fear and trembling.

A "FOREIGN" DRAW-BRIDGE.

across the Canal at this place is being built by order of the Taotai, the contractor being a Chinese and the price about Tls. 3,000. It is more than half done and promises to add greatly to the beauty and usefulness of that part of our town.

AN ACCIDENT.

occurred there some days ago, when something connected with the pile-driver upset and injured three men. One had his head smashed and his arm crushed and two out of the three will die, it is said. That lack of exactness, that makes the Celestial differ so much from foreigners, too often indicated by the word *chapekto*, "almost," will yet cause more bores to blow up and lives to be lost when foreign machinery is more generally introduced. When will these people cease from "knowing it all" and be willing to be taught a little?

BUSINESS IS VERY SLACK.

this spring; boats lie idle weeks without being hired, and they have not been so clear to call in ten years. Many of the rice shops are doing a rushing business and people flock to buy the official rice, as it is called, and pay more for it than they can get it for in the shops. Selling official rice is considered a good deed. Any one is permitted to buy rice and bring it to the place, free of duty and it is sold at cost (10 by the shew) and the officials having nothing to do with it.

THE RICE IS ONE PRICE.

no eating, and the purchase price a rice slip in the front of the store or temple and pays his money, then taking the slip back to the rear he gets his rice, paying 2 cash a shew for measuring and 10 cash a picul for delivery. From the way prices go to-day, there is more than most price advanced.

The market is devoid of fowls, beef, mutton and pork is high. Last year unadvised sold for 60 to 70 cash a cattly now it is 120. Flour 24 to 28 cash, now 42 to 45. Rice to-day 4 to 4.50 cash a picul and to the people lament and eat more bitterness than rice or bread.—N. C. D. News.

NOTANDA.

CALENDAR.

JUNE.

Metereological means based on ten years' observations to 1898.

Barometer.....29.87

Thermometer.....76.5

Humidity.....84.0

Rainfall.....15.0

TO-DAY.

WEATHER REPORT.

On date On date

Barometer.....29.60 29.62

Thermometer.....70 74

Humidity.....74 74

Rainfall.....0.0

TO-DAY.

Saturday, 4th June, 1898.

Chinese—16th of 4th moon of 24th year of

Ruoh—16th of 4th moon, 1898.

Jewish—18th Sivan, 5658.

Mohammedan—18th Muharram, 1218.

Sun—Rises.....6hr. 11min.

Sets.....6hr. 38min.

Moon—Full Moon.....6hr. 48min. 6.40.

High water—Morning.....6hr. 10min.

Afternoon.....10hr. 5min.

Low water—Morning.....2hr. 38min.

Afternoon.....8hr. 38min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1859—The Austrians defeated by the French at the Battle of Magenta.

1886—Franco-Korean Treaty signed at Seoul.

1887—German schooner *Wilhelm Meyer* burnt in Takow Harbour.

1894—Death of Capt. Verry from plague.

1897—The West River opened to foreign trade.

TO-MORROW.

Sunday, 5th June, 1898.

Chinese—17th of 4th moon of 24th year of

Ruoh—17th of 4th moon, 1898.

Jewish—19th Sivan, 5658.

Mohammedan—19th Muharram, 1218.

Sun—Rises.....6hr. 11min.

Sets.....6hr. 38min.

Moon—Maximum Declination S. 7hr. a.m.

In Full Moon.

High water—Morning.....6hr. 30min.

Afternoon.....11hr. 1min.

Low water—Morning.....2hr. 38min.

Afternoon.....8hr. 38min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1897—Baptism of Elizabeth by Augustine.

1861—Attack on the British Embassy at Tokio.

1875—Departure of the first O. & O. steamer from Hongkong for San Francisco.

1895—Anti-foreign riot at Wanchai Market.

1897—Anglo-Chinese Agreement signed at Peking.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral.—Communion, 7 a.m., Matins, 11 a.m., Evensong, 5.45 p.m.

Roman Catholic Cathedral.—Mass at 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m. and 9.30 a.m. Benediction, 5 p.m.

Union Church.—Services, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

German Bethesda Chapel, West Point.—Morning Service, 11 a.m.

St. Francis' Church, Wanchai.—Mass (Chia), 6 a.m., (Port) 7.30 a.m., Benediction, 5 p.m.

St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road.—Morning Service (English), 9 a.m.

St. Anthony's Chapel, West Point.—Mass, 8 a.m.

Wesleyan Methodist Church.—Services, 10.30 a.m. and 5.45 p.m.

St. Peter's Stamen's Church.—11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE:

French (Calcutta) 6th inst.

American (Galle) 7th inst.

Australian (Mennur) 7th inst.

Tacoma (Columbia) 11th inst.

Canadian (Empress of India) 20th inst.

THE N. P. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Olympia* sailed from Yokohama for Tacoma yesterday, the 3rd inst.

THE N. P. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Argyll* arrived at Portland from Hongkong and Japan on the 2nd inst.

WE are informed by the Agent of the Messageries Maritimes Co. that the steamer *Calcutta*, with the next French mail, left Saigon for this port at 1 o'clock this morning, the 4th inst.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

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Sanku Maru....." " "

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3 *Choyang*.....Hongkong.....J. M. & Co.

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KAWACHI MARU..... J. S. Thompson	MARSHALLS, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE (Transhipping Cargo for JAPAN PORTS) PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	TUESDAY, 21st June, at 4 P.M.
TOKIO MARU..... E. W. Haswell	THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	FRIDAY, 1st July, at 4 P.M.

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on MONDAY, the 6th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd June, 1898.

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"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR HAVRE and LIVERPOOL.

THE Company's Steamship

"VOLUTE,"

Captain Carr, will be despatched as above

on MONDAY, the 6th June.

For Freight, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,

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Hongkong, 28th May, 1898.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND

CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHELYDRA,"

Captain Davis, will be despatched as above

on THURSDAY, the 9th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARVIN, MATTHESON & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 3rd June, 1898.

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EASTERN and AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
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(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND.

Ports, and taking through Cargo to

ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND,

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"AIRLIE,"

Captain Kock, will be despatched for the

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at 4 P.M.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for

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Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the

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A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon

are carried.

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to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return

by the Steamers of the CHINA NAVIGATION

COMPANY and vice versa.

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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1898.

672

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"PYRRHUS,"

Captain Ball, will be despatched as above

on SATURDAY, the 11th instant.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1898.

706

MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"AFRIDI,"

will be despatched as above on or about the

24th June.

S.S. "PATIAN".....about 19th July, 1898.

S.S. "MACDUFF".....31st July, 1898.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1898.

498

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE British Balde

"WEST YORK,"

W. L. Forster, Master, will load here for the

above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,

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Hongkong, 7th March, 1898.

375

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 1st A British Ship

"IMBERHORN,"

Later, Master, shortly expected here, will load

for the above port and will have quick

despatch.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1898.

K44

Mails.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR

STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,

ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN

PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

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AMERICAN PORTS).

THE Steamship

"PARRAMATTA,"

Captain C. F. Preston, R.N.R., carrying Her

Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this

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Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France and

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transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceed-

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Parcels will be received at this Office until 4

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the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of

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For further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE,

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Hongkong, 23rd May, 1898.

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STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE,

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM

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FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA

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Mogul.....3,604 W. H. Wright.....June 18.

Columbia.....2,505 J. A. Gove.....July 9

Brainerd.....3,601 E. Foster.....Aug. 13

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